

GERMAN CHANCELLOR PROPOSES PEACE IN NOTE TO NEUTRALS

Von Bethmann-Hollweg Tells Members of the German Reichstag That Teutonic Powers Are Willing To Make Terms; Londoners Apathetic, and Regard Proposals As Impossible; Washington Awaits Text of Message

TOKIO EXCHANGE CLOSED

(Special Cable to the Hawaii Shippo.)
TOKIO, December 13.—The reports of the address made by Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg before the reichstag yesterday, in which he declared that Germany and her allies are ready for peace on terms that practically amount to status quo ante bellum, sent stocks tumbling in this city to such an extent that a veritable panic prevailed and the authorities of the Tokyo stock exchange yesterday announced the closing of that institution for the time being. Industrial stocks were the most affected by the news, some of them breaking two and three hundred yen in price in an hour. The stock of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha broke three hundred yen.

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, December 13.—Germany is now ready to enter into peace negotiations with the Entente. Such was the gist of the address made by the German chancellor, von Bethmann-Hollweg, before the reichstag yesterday afternoon.

The address covered what, the chancellor told the members of the house, are the terms and proposals which he has already made to the representatives of neutral powers.

The propositions which the Central Powers bring forward are, according to von Bethmann-Hollweg, appropriate for the establishment of lasting peace.

Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria are making similar proposals. The proposals are to be transmitted to the Vatican.

The chancellor yesterday received representatives of the United States, Spain and Switzerland—the states protecting German interests in hostile and foreign countries.

"He transmitted to them the note proposing peace negotiations and asked them to bring it to the knowledge of the hostile nations." This is the note which he later read to the Reichstag.

"In the note the four allied Central Powers propose to enter into peace negotiations. The propositions they bring for such negotiations are, according to their firm belief, appropriate for the establishment of lasting peace."

"Vienna, Constantinople and Sofia have transmitted identical notes and also communicated with the Holy See and all neutral powers."

Move For Humanity
According to the Overseas News Agency's report, the chancellor announced that Germany and her allies, "conscious of their responsibility before God, before their own nations and before humanity, have proposed peace."

Rumors that the chancellor would make an important statement had thronged the galleries and the seats of the reichstag were filled. Practically all the members were present.

The chancellor outlined the political situation and then emphasizing the achievements of the Teutons, made an announcement, which, says the news agency, may possibly be the turning point of the war.

He sketched the political and military events of the recent campaigns, saying that Rumania had entered the conflict to roll up the German positions in the east, and that simultaneously the Somme offensive by the Allies on the west had as its object to pierce the western line, while renewed Italian attacks were made to "paralyze" Austria.

"The situation was serious," the chancellor continued, but with God's help we shaped conditions to give us security. By strokes of the sword firm foundations for our economic needs have been laid. Great stocks of grain, victuals, oil and other commodities were captured in Rumania.

Safe Beyond Question
"Our safety is beyond question. If the enemy counted upon the weariness of the nations they were fighting, the enemy has been deceived."

After reading the peace proposal note in the Reichstag, the chancellor said: "If our enemies decline to end the war, German hearts will burn in wrath against the enemies who are unwilling to stop the human slaughter. We are ready for fighting or ready for peace."

"Germany cannot be conquered, and we shall await the answer of the Entente Powers with that serenity of mind which is guaranteed by our interior and exterior strength and clear conscience."

The Kaiser, in addressing a message to the commanders of the German armies in the field, told them that the peace note had been forwarded through the neutral countries to the Entente, but asked them that, pending the reply, they must continue to "fight on until peace has been accepted."

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PRINCE OYAMA WILL BE BURIED SUNDAY

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)
TOKIO, December 12.—The late Prince I. Oyama, who died yesterday at his home in Tokio, will be buried at the Nasuno family plot on December 17. Count T. Kuroki, who was one of the generals under the late Oyama in the Russo-Japanese war, has been appointed to head the arrangements for the funeral. The funeral services will be held in Hachioji Park, after which a special train will carry the remains to Nasuno.

CALIFORNIA ELECTORS OFFICIALLY CERTIFIED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SACRAMENTO, December 13.—The thirteen California presidential electors on the Democratic ticket were officially certified as elected yesterday by Secretary of State Jordan. Threats of holding up the certificates of election were made by Jordan, a Republican, because of incomplete returns from Orange County. As the California voters swung the election to President Wilson, Jordan's action was watched with interest.

BIRD WOMAN WELCOMED BY BIG CROWDS IN JAPAN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
TOKIO, December 12.—Miss Katherine Stinson, the American aviator, arrived in Yokohama on the Nippon Maru Saturday. She will make her first flight at the Aoyama parade grounds in Tokyo on Saturday afternoon. Her second flight will be made on Monday. Miss Stinson will be the first woman to make a flight in Japan. She recently broke the long-distance record from Chicago to New York.

HUGHES CARRIED EMPIRE STATE BY 118,527 VOTES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
ALBANY, New York, December 13.—The plurality by which Charles E. Hughes, Republican, carried the State of New York in the November elections was 118,527 votes, according to the official tabulation completed yesterday.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP OF CAPITAL PHONES URGED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, December 13.—Government ownership of the public telephone system is the national capital is proposed in a bill introduced in Congress yesterday by Representative David J. Lewis of Maryland. Congressman Lewis is the author of the present parcel post law.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION WILL RESUME ITS WORK SOON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, December 13.—The International Commission on the subject of the border situation in Philadelphia Monday was announced here yesterday.

more pointed out that such a league could not be brought into being without the participation of all the states now at war.

Whether such a proposal will be transmitted to the nations at war and the neutrals could not be learned, officials of the state department declining to make any comment upon the subject and other administration officers declining to comment formally or informally upon it.

The total absence of any definite terms in the note or the chancellor's address is proving a great disappointment to many here. The German embassy here is believed to have received information as to the basic terms the Berlin government wishes to get.

It is believed by the Entente diplomats here that Germany is unconcerned about the loss of her possessions on the Pacific and is ready to relinquish Kailash to Japan. It is understood however that she is prepared to insist upon the restoration of Albania, and the retention of Constantinople by Turkey.

The Germans expect definite progress to be made toward peace by the end of January. It is regarded as likely that Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador here, will be one of the conferees at any peace conference which may be formed.

Speaking for the President on the news from Europe of the peace proposals, Secretary Tumulty said that the President is deeply interested but will make no comment at least until he has learned what reception the proposal receives from the Entente Powers.

Secretary of State Lansing, discussing the news guardedly, says that it is assumed the neutral powers addressed are asked only to transmit to the Entente group the proposals for peace. That will be done, so far as the United States is concerned, promptly on receipt of official despatches.

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FRANCE FORMING DEFENSE COUNCIL; BRIAND IS HEAD

General Neville Named Commander-in-chief of North and Northeast Armies

RUMANIANS STIFFEN IN DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS

Petrograd Announces Situation In That Country Brighter For the Entente

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, December 13.—While all the world is discussing the address of the chancellor at Berlin and the possibilities of peace, the armies in the field are still fighting. In Rumania the invaders are still driving forward, but the impetus of their attack has lessened, and they are not making the stride that they did at first. Indeed Petrograd and Rome hold out hope that the Rumanians and Rumanians may make a successful stand before all Rumania is conquered.

A Petrograd message says that the Germans are retiring some of their divisions in Rumania and transferring them to other fronts, and that the situation in Rumania is becoming more favorable to the Entente Allies.

The reports that Joffre will be superseded by Petain were followed yesterday by the formal announcement that General Neville has been appointed to the command of all of north and northwestern France. This it was announced, would be the first step in the reorganization of a war cabinet, consisting of five members, headed by Briand, and which will comprise the council for national defense.

The situation in Greece was given a more ominous tone yesterday by a despatch from Copenhagen that King Constantine had ordered a mobilization of the fragments of his army which have remained loyal to the monarchy.

The struggles in Rumania and along the Cerna River front were the center of attention in the fighting zones. Berlin claimed that an additional ten thousand Rumanians had been taken prisoner in the town of Mize and Urziceni. This is denied by other reports.

Two transports laden with ammunition were sunk in the Mediterranean by submarines, according to Berlin, by the British admiralty, while admitting the loss of the steamers denies that they were transports.

BRITISH WIDOWS
SENT TO COLONIES

Salvation Army Plans For Finding Homes For Women Are Proving Successful

(By The Associated Press.)
LONDON, December 13.—A scheme which has been under consideration for some time by the Salvation Army is now complete for transferring British widows with their families to the colonies. The Public Trustee has agreed to act as treasurer of the fund, and the sum asked for should secure the settlement of five thousand widows and ten thousand children. The work, which requires careful and gradual preparation on this side as well as in the Dominions for the proper settlement of the families, would be conducted over a period of three years.

Close cooperation between the Salvation Army and the Dominion governments is already assured, several of the states have already come forward with offers of active support, and special representatives are being despatched to the colonies at once.

General Booth points out that under the scheme, worthy widows living in oppressive or unsatisfactory environments, can be transferred, free of cost to themselves, to progressive overseas communities where there is more elbow room for the energetic and enterprising and where she will be fortified while making her way, in the knowledge that she has the weight of the Salvation Army at her back.

He sums up the Army's undertaking on behalf of the women as follows: "The Army will not advise anyone to migrate or become responsible for the migration of any one who may not conform with the standards of suitability it has set up through its long experience with migration."

The Army will provide for the reception and secure positions in given localities prior to sailing for all whom it may select for overseas settlement under this scheme."

FLAMES DESTROY CITY
OF RUBISHIBI, JAPAN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
TOKIO, December 12.—A fierce fire destroyed the little city of Rubishibi in the province of Hokkaido yesterday afternoon. More than three hundred families were rendered homeless.

Carrinzistas Plan To Drive Yankee Forces Home Again

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
EL PASO, December 12.—Apparent intention of the de facto government of Mexico to drive the American expeditionary force back across the border by force of arms is disclosed in a proclamation of Arnulfo Gonzalez, provisional governor of the state of Chihuahua, copies of which reached here yesterday.

Governor Gonzalez in his proclamation announces that he will soon be ready to join General Carranza in forcing the retirement of the American expedition. This move, the proclamation states, will be made by Governor Gonzalez as soon as he has complete occupation of his state, where Pancho Villa and his bands are now centering their activities.

AMERICAN'S MURDER RUMOR CONFIRMED

Miner Shot Down By Order of Villa; Frenchman Also Slain By Bandits

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
EL PASO, December 12.—The murder of Howard Gray, an American miner, at Parral, by Villistas a few weeks ago has been confirmed.

Gray was shot and his body landed at his own home by order of the Villistas when they entered the town.

A message from across the border says also that a Frenchman, Alexander Ricault, of Parral, was killed by Villistas at the time of the Parral occupation.

ASSASSIN DECLARED
TO BE SOUND MENTALLY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
VIENNA, December 13.—The alienist on the court who has been observing the actions of Adler, the Socialist leader who assassinated Premier Steurgh several weeks ago, has declared the latter mentally sound and responsible for his acts. The trial of Adler has been postponed pending the opinion on Adler's sanity that will be rendered by the university doctors who have been employed to act as alienists in the case.

SUMNER PASSENGERS TAKEN SAFELY ASHORE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
NEW YORK, December 12.—Women and children were taken safely off the Army transport Sumner today while he troops lay pounding on the New Jersey shore, not far from Barnegat inlet light, where she stranded last night.

With not a casualty, 232 were taken from the transport, with the cutter Hawk standing by while the transfer in ships' boats was made. The transport is apparently in no danger, as it is firmly held in the sand and the sea is not dangerously high. There are three-class passengers aboard to the number of 190.

ASIATICS BARRED BY IMMIGRATION BILL

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, December 12.—By a vote of forty-two to fourteen the senate today adopted the immigration committee's amendment to exclude Hindus and other Asiatics from the United States, but without mentioning them by racial name. The amendment as adopted eliminates reference to the "gentlemen's agreement" between the United States and Japan, under which Japan restricts passports of her citizens, preventing immigration to America.

BARON UCHIDA NAMED ENVOY TO CZAR'S COURT

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji.)
TOKIO, December 12.—Y. Uchida, former minister of foreign affairs for Japan, will become the new Japanese ambassador to Petrograd, succeeding I. Motono, who has resigned the post to become foreign minister in the Count Teruchi cabinet. Uchida, who is one of the foremost diplomats in Japan, was formerly ambassador to Washington.

GREGORY WILL NOT RESIGN HIS POST IN THE CABINET

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, December 12.—Attorney general Gregory, who has been mentioned as a possible member of the cabinet who will not remain after the second term begins, has no intention of resigning, he made plain today. It is understood that the present cabinet will remain unchanged for at least a time after March 4.

TERRITORY LOSES CONSPIRACY CASE

Judge Ashford's Decision In Upholding Demurrer In Theresa Wilcox Case Sustained

The Territory lost out yesterday in the case against Mrs. Theresa O. K. W. Belliveau, Robert W. Wilcox and Y. Ahia. The opinion against the government was written by Chief Justice Robertson and concurred in by Associate Justices Watson and Quackenbush.

"There was an indictment charging the defendants with having committed the offense of conspiracy in the first degree," says the opinion, "to which the defendants interposed a demurrer. The circuit court sustained the demurrer, whereupon the Territory obtained a writ of error. The defendants have filed a motion to dismiss the writ on the ground that this court is without jurisdiction in the matter, since the basis of the circuit court involved only the application of the rules of criminal pleading and was not based upon the invalidity or construction of the statute upon which the indictment was founded."

The indictment charged that the defendants had fraudulently conspired to secure the signature of Solomon K. Kama to a deed conveying real estate at Waikiki. In closing, the supreme court opinion reads:

"We think that this case falls within the category of cases decided upon the general principles of criminal pleading, and not upon statutory construction. The ruling of the court was, in substance, that the indictment did not show a conspiracy in violation of the statutes; the reasoning of the judge, as disclosed in his opinion, however, proceeded upon the idea, not that the facts sought to be alleged would not constitute the offense, but that they were not set forth with the particularity and definiteness required by the general rules of pleading."

"On behalf of the Territory it is contended that the ruling of the trial court was clearly wrong, in view of certain of the provisions of Act 215 of the Session Laws of 1915, and of Section 3793 of the Revised Laws, relating to the sufficiency in form of indictments; that those provisions, whether not statutes, or rules of criminal pleading, are not statutes, which the indictment must be held to have been misconstrued, or held invalid; and that this writ may be maintained on that ground."

"We are unable to take that view. We are of the opinion that the remedial statutes, referred to, which were designed to change the common law rules governing criminal pleading, are not statutes, which the indictment must be held to have been misconstrued, or held invalid; and that this writ may be maintained on that ground."

"The question whether there was an error in that respect is not before us. Ordinarily an objection to the form of an indictment can be made in a new indictment. But such is not the case where an indictment, free from technical defects has been set aside because of the misconstruction or supposed invalidity of the substantive statute upon which it was based. It was under the latter situation that the legislature intended to provide for a review at the instance of the government."

"The writ is dismissed."

POLICE CHIEFS NOT OBEYING CITY LAWS

Why shouldn't a policeman, and more particularly a sheriff, obey the law was a subject of discussion at the meeting of the board of supervisors.

Supervisor Larsen started it when he referred to the negligence displayed by the police department in regard to the enforcement of the law requiring the running of automobile headlights.

"The law requires," he said, "that the material used for dimming these lights be non-removable. But the other day I noticed the sheriff's car, and all it had on the lights was a little sapwood, most of which had already been rubbed off."

Supervisor Hansen continued that the police officers were doing their duty, but that there was something wrong at police headquarters. He said that a few days ago he saw a police officer stop two boys who were driving with bright lights, but when he took them to the police station they were promptly turned loose by those in charge.

"There's not much encouragement for the officers to do their duty when such things go on at headquarters," he said. "The people there are not doing their duty."

The matter was referred to the police committee, which will endeavor to persuade the sheriff and his men to obey the laws they are hired to enforce.

AERO CLUB GROWING

There are three hundred and fifty members of the Aero Club of Hawaii, according to a report made at a meeting yesterday of the board of governors in the office of the chief clerk, E. S. Strong.

Secretary of the club, General Strong, made the statement that it is indicative of the progress of aviation in the Hawaiian Islands that the government is endeavoring to meet the needs of the islands.

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BOMB PLOT DETAILS ARE OUTLINED IN COAST COURT

Louis Smith, Government Witness Goes On Stand and Tells Inside History of Alleged Conspiracy To Destroy Entente Shipping

FOOLED HIS EMPLOYERS WITH BOGUS SUIT-CASE BOMB

Government Wins Important Point In Securing Permission From Judge To Allow Testimony of Smith To Be Taken In Case

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, December 13.—Details of the alleged bomb plot for which Franz Bopp, German consul general at San Francisco, with five others, are on trial on charges of conspiracy, were revealed in court yesterday by Louis Smith, government witness and confederate after the prosecution had secured a point in defendant Smith's right to testify.

Smith was permitted to return to the witness stand yesterday after Judge Dooley had compelled John W. Preston, United States district attorney, to show a telegram stating that Smith had been restored to citizenship. Several days ago the defense succeeded in temporarily disqualifying Smith as a witness by alleging that he had been convicted of a felony. This move succeeded in stopping his testimony.

The telegram, which Attorney Preston at first refused to show, showed that Smith had lost his citizenship when he was sentenced to eighteen months in Fort Leavenworth penitentiary for stealing four dollars and a tobacco canteen from an enlisted man at Fort McIntosh. Later, according to the telegram, citizenship was restored to Smith.

Smith's testimony yesterday covered activities alleged to have been directed by Charles C. Crowley, co-defendant with Consul Bopp, and charged by the government with being an agent of the consulate. The other defendants are Baron Wilhelm von Brincken, E. H. von Schack, German vice consul, and Mrs. Margaret Cornell.

Smith testified that on May 25, 1915, Crowley had directed him to make a bomb and place it on the British steamer Talithyus, then loading munitions and supplies in Seattle. The bomb, said Smith, had been manufactured out of forty sticks of dynamite, a suitcase and a fuse timed to burn three days.

The witness stated that Crowley's directions were that the bomb should be placed in an automobile crate which was to be loaded into the Talithyus.

In prying a board loose from the crate that night, said Smith, he made such a noise that he became frightened, threw the suitcase dynamite bomb into the waters of the harbor, and told Crowley the next morning that he had destroyed the infernal machine.

That he could so easily duped his employer in the deadly business led Smith to practice a similar deception later in the same week, he testified. The witness then related how he had shown Crowley a suitcase supposed to be full of dynamite, but in which he had substituted sawwood.

In recounting the story of the dynamiting of a barge of explosives in Seattle harbor, which the prosecution charges to the defendants, Smith testified that Crowley disappeared the night the barge was blown up. The next day, said Smith, Crowley bought twenty crates of stumps as an excuse for having the dynamite in his possession.

HILO SENDS PRISONERS UP TO OAHU PRISON

Awaiting death on the charge of murder in the first degree, unless Governor Pinkham commutes his sentence, Pablo Gonzales, a Filipino, was brought to Honolulu from Hilo in the steamer Kilanua last night. Two other prisoners made the trip with him. The men reached the police station bedecked with leis, and in apparently the best of spirits. Gonzales joked about the sentence against him and worried only over the wearing of handcuffs. The other prisoners were Nicolas Kaiode charged with assault with a deadly weapon and murder in the second degree, and Mamoru Tanaka charged with burglary in the first degree.

HEAD OF INTER-ISLAND EXPECTED HOME AT ONCE

James A. Kennedy, president and manager of the Inter Island company, is on his way home and is expected to arrive within a few days. The death of J. L. McLean, vice-president, last week left no member of the company in the islands with authority to call a meeting of the directors. The bylaws of the company provide that directors' meetings be called only by the president or vice-president.